

Society for Conservation Biology
Kingston Chapter
Meeting Minutes
Start Time- 11:30 AM

October 23rd, 2012

General

- Bake sale in the BioSci Atrium October 23, 2012 and October 24, 2012 from 11:00am to 2:00pm.

Sustainability and Butterfly Garden

- Successful cleaning of the butterfly gardens this past weekend.
- Sharon from Physical Plant Services was contacted regarding getting a cigarette butt disposal bin placed beside the garden.
- Seed selling- potential for Christmas cards or Valentine's Day "Grow Your Own Bouquet".
- Seed packaging – envelopes or small plastic bags.
- Possibility of growing flowers to sell for Valentine's Day.

Social Committee

- Debated whether having a Halloween social versus a social later in November (Green Ball).
- Was decided that timeline wise, November may be more successful.
- Date, theme and location must still all be decided.

Education & Programs Committee

- E-mails must be sent out to teachers at local schools.

Issues Committee

- Turtle Project
 - Met with Kingston municipal contact to discuss additional options. Discussed cost options and factoring projects for the SCB into the city budget.
 - Possible options for additional awareness:
 - Solar powered flashing lights - similar to those located in school zones (\$1, 000 each).
 - Temporary speed bumps (\$100-\$200 each)
- Forest/Woodland Conservation
 - Further details to come regarding protecting this area from condo development.
- Northern Gateway Pipeline Sit-in
 - Was a very successful event hosted by Queen's Action Against Climate change.

- Heather from Environmental Defense
 - Has offered to come in to a special meeting and discuss background information to the November 5th event on Pipeline Nine. (Possibly an even meeting)

Photo Contest Committee

- Collecting prizes on November 1, 2012 between 9:30-12:30 in the morning.
- Contacting professor about booking BioSci Atrium for the photo contest.

Advertising Committee

- Flyers will be available for next week's meeting (October 30, 2012) in order to distribute – potentially in the ARC.
- Posters will also be ready that will need to be stamped.

Feature Creature

- Kakapo (Owl parrot)
 - Flightless parrot that adapted to environment prior to invasion by new species (dogs, cats, rats).
 - Polygynous lek breeding.
 - Critically endangered as of February 2012 – 126 species left in limited areas.

End of meeting- 12:09 PM